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# Steven Hochhauser, Where Are You?

By Andree A. Belisle

MILLBURY - Steven Hochhauser took over the management of the New Pine Grove Villa Nursing Home in May of 1987. Some three and one half years later, on October 4, 1990 the State placed the 41-bed nursing home in receivership. The last anyone at the nursing home can recall seeing the 40-year-old Hochhauser in the area is October 3.

The New Pine Grove Villa Nursing Home is housed in a 300 year old house that has seen many changes and additions since 1938 when Adeline Stratford purchased the house and turned it into a rest home. The home subsequently became a nursing home and remained in the Stratford family until 1987 when it was sold to Hochhauser.

According to Terry Kittredge, Health Service Supervisor at Pine Grove, the financial problems facing the home did not surface overnight. "We've been having financial problems since Mr. Hochhauser took over ownership," she said, "and it just became increasingly worse as time went on in the 3 1/2 years that he owned it."

Kittredge said the financial woes can be tied in part to the home's low Medicaid rate. "Our medicaid rate being so low it's really difficult to make ends meet. I think that's partly what brings us to today. They (the State) feel it's easier to close the facility, since it's economically not feasible for them to keep it open, than to increase the rate and allow it to continue to run."

Kittredge said the State must come up with a qualified licensee to buy the facility before any rate changes could be made. However, according to the court appointed receiver, Attorney Gerald J. Billow, the prospect of finding a qualified buyer in the near future while not hopeless, is dim. "There is always hope," Billow said. "It depends on whether or not a suitable party comes forward - suitable both in terms of economic strength and ability to run a nursing home and says that it, he, or she would like to buy it from the first mortgagee."

Billow also noted that the home has approximately three weeks for this to happen. It is this limited time period that has the nursing home staff so concerned.

"Nobody is going to buy this place until after the foreclosure goes through," said bookkeeper John Stratford, the great grandson of Adeline Stratford, the home's first owner. "Obviously if they wanted to buy it tomorrow they would have to assume all the liens that are presently Steven's liens."

Stratford said everyone is hoping that someone will come forward and say they will buy the home after the foreclosure. "Then they (the state) could go to court and say, 'Yes, we do have a buyer, upon foreclosure we will have a buyer.' Then they would keep the place open in receivership until such time as that foreclosure would come about," Stratford said. "The place won't be a nursing home by the time the foreclosure goes through if they get rid of all the patients."

Billow said he has explored several options concerning the future operations of the home. "I've spoken to brokers, to individuals who are interested in buying nursing homes, experts such as the Arbro Group (specialists in health care management) to determine the interest of buyers they might know. I've spoken to the first mortgagee, the second mortgagee, I spoke to the third mortgagee. I spoke to people in the State. I have not been able to find anybody who thought that they knew of any individual interested in buying it or even in maintaining it. The people with the greatest economic interest are the banks."

The staff feels the state, too, must assume some responsibility for the current crisis at the home. "The state surveyors had been in repeatedly over the last six months or so," Kittredge said. "The staff had called them because some employees weren't getting paid on a regular basis. It was frequently that they had to wait until Monday or Tuesday to receive their paychecks when payday was on Friday. The labor board had been called, and we were getting frustrated because we couldn't see what, if anything, was being done to help us. We had been notifying them (the Department of Public Health) and telling them that vendors weren't getting paid, employees aren't getting paid."

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# 'Lest We Forget...'

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars calls our attention to the following names of members of the armed forces from Massachusetts who are still missing in action or prisoners of war. Remember them and their families on Veterans Day!

**POW/MIA**
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**Allen Jones Avery, 2/22/43-4/6/72**
**Bruce Raymond Baxter, 9/31/28-11/8/67**
**Eugene Paul Beresik, 3/3/33-5/31/68**
**Kenneth Allen Berube, 10/30/43-8/11/67**
**Charles Lawrence Bifolchi, 10/27/43-1/8/68**
**Warren William Boles, 12/14/40-1/18/68**
**John Arthur Boronski, 7/24/44-3/24/79**
**Russell Peter Bott, 9/5/36-12/2/66**
**William Francis Coakley, 8/12/33-9/13/66**
**Deverton C. Cochrane, 12/15/48-6/17/70**
**Allan Philip Collamore, Jr., 12/22/38-2/4/67**
**Joseph Francis Cook, 1/15/49-5/10/68**
**Paul Steven Czerwonka, 5/20/49-5/10/68**
**Paul Nicholas Donato, 3/14/40-2/17/68**
**Joseph Patrick Dunn, 9/17/42-2/14/68**
**John Stiles Earle, 7/3/41-6/23/70**
**Robert M. Elliot, 11/8/29-2/14/68**
**Richard A. Fitts, 2/23/46-11/30/68**
**Joseph E. Fitzgerald 11/25/48-5/31/67**
**William D. Frawley, 11/14/38-3/1/66**
**Frederick Thomas Garside, 11/16/36-3/23/61**
**Roger Conrad Gaughan, 6/24/46-5/1/67**
**Richard Campbell Graves, 8/5/44-5/26/67**
**Joseph G. Greenleaf, 10/6/44-4/14/72**
**Richard K. Harper, 10/2/41-5/19/65**
**Robert D. Hauer, 11/29/46-9/5/70**
**John Robert Henn, Jr., 2/11/48-5/24/72**
**Henry Howard Herrin, Jr., 3/18/33-1/1/68**
**David Hugh Holmes, 3/26/38-3/15/66**
**Robert Alan Holt, 6/13/42-9/19/68**
**Leonard Lee Kaster, 9/24/38-8/6/64**
**Daniel Martin Kelley, 6/22/47-4/25/68**
**Paul Chester King, Jr. 3/17/49-5/4/68**
**Gerald Francis Kinsman, 6/12/45-1/15/71**
**John Murray Leaver, Jr. 8/17/33-5/8/72**
**Hubert B. Loheed, 10/15/24-2/1/66**
**Henry Elmer MacCann, 12/11/31-3/28/68**
**James A. Magnusson, Jr., 10/14/34-4/4/65**
**Kenneth Dewey McKenney, 4/3/45-5/15/66**
**Arthur V. McLaughlin, 3/11/34-12/20/72**
**Carleton Pierce Miller, Jr., 6/23/44-1/6/71**
**Richard G. Morin, 7/8/44-12/20/68**
**William F. Mullen, 3/28/35-4/29/66**
**John F. Overlock, 4/5/36-8/16/68**
**John Robert Painter, Jr., 3/15/45-6/18/71**
**Edward Francis Rogers, 9/29/48-3/12/68**
**James Sansone, 3/24/50-8/10/72**
**William M. Smith, 4/2/49-3/3/69**
**Howard D. Stephenson, 10/6/37-3/29/72**
**Martin Joseph Sullivan, 1/28/33-2/12/67**
**Robert Jacy Todd, 5/25/48-5/9/67**
**Edwin Byron Tucker, 2/1/35-4/24/67**
**O'Brien J. Walker, 9/27/33-5/23/65**
**Craig Houston Waterman, 10/14/43-7/30/67**
**David J. Wax, 8/1/41-12/20/65**
**Monek Weitz, 12/19/50-5/25/69**
**Blair C. Wrye, 5/23/29-8/12/66**

# Sutton Lions Donation to Benefit Hearing Impaired

SUTTON - Margaret Trychon and George Cobane, President of the Sutton Lions Club, present Lieutenant John Annis of the Sutton Police Department with a telecommunication device for the hearing impaired. The device was acquired by Margaret's husband Al Trychon who is presently on active duty with the Air Force in Saudi Arabia. Tech. Sgt. Trychon is a Loadmaster Specialist in charge of loading and unloading the huge C-5 transports which are ferrying men and supplies to the front.

Annis explained that a caller with one of these devices in their home who has to communicate with the police department can do so by placing the receiver in an adapter which allows them to send and receive messages with the police department. The message prints out on a screen and on a paper print out which automatically indicates the time and date of the call. Annis said the police department is grateful for the donation because it now allows them to serve a greater number of Sutton residents more quickly and effectively.

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# OBITUARIES

## Sylvia R. Silvy

MILLBURY - Sylvia R. Silvy, 87, of 3 Summer St., died October 13 in Worcester County Hospital, Boylston.

She leaves a sister, Grace D. Ekstrom of Millbury; two nephews; two nieces; grandnephews and grandnieces. A sister, Blanche O'Connor of Concord, died in March. She was born in Woonsocket, R.I., daughter of Harry and Rosilda (Henault) Silvy, and was raised in Burrillville, R.I. She later lived in Connecticut. She lived here for 68 years.

She graduated from Burrillville High School in Pascoag, R.I., in 1920. She attended a business school and graduated from the former Worcester Normal School in 1923. She began her career as a teacher at Our Lady of the Assumption School. She then taught for 47 years in the Millbury school system, including at the West Millbury School and Burbank Street School. She served as Principal of Burbank Street School for many years, retiring in 1970.

She was a member of St. Brigid's Parish and its Women's Club, the Millbury Golden Age Club, and the National and Southern Worcester County Retired Teachers Associations. She also did volunteer work at the gift shop at The Medical Center of Central Massachusetts-Memorial.

The funeral was held from Mulhane Home for Funerals, with a Mass at St. Brigid's Church. Memorial contributions made be made to the District Nursing Society, Inc., 123 Elm St., P.O. Box 45, Millbury, 01527 or the American Cancer Society, 7 Oak St., Worcester, 01609.

## Mary C. Toto

MILLBURY - Mary C. (Pepin) Toto, 81, of 13 Curve St., died October 11 in the University of Massachusetts Hospital, Worcester.

Her husband, Joseph A. Toto, died in 1988. She leaves three daughters, Carol M. Brodsky and Barbara Robbins, both of Millbury, and Joyce A. Piccirelli of Flushing, Queens, New York; four sisters, Eva Melanson, Adeline Ballard, and Virginia Norbeck, all of Millbury, and Antoinette McClure of Uxbridge; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and nephews and nieces.

Born in Philadelphia, she was the daughter of Frank and Philomena (Pulcinella) Pepin. She lived in Millbury most of her life. She attended the summer program in creative writing at Clark University in 1975. Mrs. Toto was a member of St. Brigid's Parish.

The funeral was held from Mulhane Home for Funerals with a Mass at St. Brigid's Church. Burial was in St. Brigid's Cemetery.

## Meredith Ordway

MILLBURY - Meredith P. (Dana) Ordway, 43, of 65 Elmwood St., died October 24 in The Medical Center of Central Massachusetts-Memorial.

She leaves her husband, Allan H. Ordway; two sons, Adam J. and Mathew J. Ordway; a daughter, Alison D. Ordway, all at home; three brothers, Mark W. and Merrill A. Dana, both of Millbury, and Marshall J. Dana in California; nephews and nieces. Mr. and Mrs. Ordway observed their 23rd wedding anniversary October 12. She was born in Worcester, daughter of Morrise J. and Mary V. (Proal) Dana. She graduated from Millbury High School in 1965 and Quinsigamond Community College in 1967. She also attended Bentley College, then in Boston.

Mrs. Ordway owned and operated the former Notions & More in Millbury for two years, retiring last year due to illness. She was also a cooking instructor for 13 years, specializing in microwave cooking, at Sears, Roebuck and Co. in Auburn.

Mrs. Ordway was a member of the First Congregational Church. She was a longtime cemetery commissioner for the West Millbury Cemetery.

Funeral services were held at Mulhane Home for Funerals. The Rev. Jane Haley officiated. Burial was in West Millbury Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to The Medical Center of Central Massachusetts-Memorial Foundation, 16 Shaffner St., Worcester, 01605.

## Sarah P. Anderson

MILLBURY - Sarah P. (Paciello) Anderson, 53, formerly of 43 Burbank Road and 115 Millbury Ave., died October 27 in the home of a friend at 70 Oak Pond Avenue.

Her husband, Paul F. Anderson, Sr., died in 1967. She leaves three sons, Paul F. Anderson, Jr. of Millbury, Stephen R. Anderson of Uxbridge, and Sgt. Kenneth J. Anderson, with the Air Force at Hanscom Air Force Base in Bedford; two daughters, Marybeth Sullivan of Millbury and Judith L. Durling of Worcester; three brothers, Angelo Paciello of Lawton, Okla., Rocco Paciello of California, and Capt. Ronald R. Paciello, with the Air Force at Clark Air Base in the Philippines; a sister, Paula P. Frame of Worcester; 10 grandchildren; nephews and nieces. She was born in Worcester, daughter of Rocco and Rachel (Pingitore) Paciello, and lived here 27 years.

Mrs. Anderson graduated from the former Commerce High School, Worcester, in 1955. She was a waitress for 15 years at the former Happy's Restaurant and Tommy's Restaurant, both in Millbury.

She was a member of St. Brigid's Church, the Democratic Town Committee, the Millbury Mothers Club and the Parent Evaluation Committee for the Millbury Public Schools. She was a former member of the Millbury Women's Club and a former Cub Scout den mother.

The funeral was held from Mulhane Home for funerals with a Mass in St. Brigid's Church. Burial was in New Swedish Cemetery, Worcester. Memorial contributions may be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Association, Central Massachusetts Chapter, 415 Boston Turnpike, Shrewsbury, 01545; or the Visiting Nurse Association of Central Massachusetts, 120 Thomas St., Worcester, 01608; or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, One St. Jude Place, P.O. Box 1000, Dept. 300, Memphis, Tenn. 38148.

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# Millbury Selectmen's Meeting Digest

# Tax Rate Tentatively Set at $10.47, Down from $11.03

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - The board of selectmen met at its usual time. The meeting was abbreviated as two scheduled agenda items were cancelled, including a meeting with the Sewer Commissioners to discuss Phase IV of sewer construction.

Administrative Assistant Earl Chase said the sewer commissioners needed more time to work on their presentation. He also noted that the commissioners are expected to seek support for a special town meeting in December for the Phase IV project.

Margaret Loper, who was scheduled to be interviewed for the position of Assistant Dog Officer, was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

## Executive Session

At the request of Police Chief Ron Stokowski, the board went into Executive Session at 7:15. The board returned to open session at 7:45. It was noted by Cristo that the board voted unanimously to rescind a previous vote to instruct Stokowski not to chew tobacco while on duty within the town hall. The board voted instead to instruct Earl Chase and Stokowski to resolve the issue at the administrative level with Sgt. Glen Parath. Parath had objected to the Chief's habit of spitting chewing tobacco.

## Telephone Cable and Pad

The board held a hearing on a request by New England Telephone to place an underground cable for telephone service on Carleton Road. A request was also made to relocate a present cement pad on Carleton Road to another location on private property purchased by New England Telephone from Kenneth Stowe.

An abutter, George Stowe, who had opposed a previous location, indicated that he was not opposed to the relocation area but noted that the area was near wetlands.

The telephone company representative said the pad will be located on dry land off the wet area. The board voted 5-0 to approve the underground cable installation and the pad, contingent upon the Conservation Commission's approval.

## Appointments

Under old business, the board voted 5-0 to appoint Richard Townsend to a vacant position on the Council on Aging. Chase said he went over a list of individuals who had expressed an interest in that position and found that all were already placed. He also said the council's Search Committee recommended Townsend's appointment.

## Transfer Station

Chase said he received a bill for $4,815.81 from SEA Engineering for the transfer station. The bill was submitted last Spring but never paid.

The board agreed to meet with the transfer Station Building Committee to resolve the matter.

## Leases

Chase said the lease for the Hosanna Christian Fellowship Church at the Center School has been reviewed by the Rev. Clifford Larson, who indicated that the lease is satisfactory. Chase also said that with the next state procurement laws, the only way the board could extend a lease beyond three years would be to go before town meeting for approval.

It was noted that the Historical Society is seeking a 10 year lease for the West Millbury School. On a motion by Lachance, the board voted unanimously to support an article for the ten year lease at the next town meeting.

## Ace Hardware

According to Chase, the remaining work to be completed on South Main Street at Ace Hardware is going out to bid under the bond pulled by the Planning Board. He said the work, if done now, will be completed before winter.

## Recycling Committee

A meeting of the municipal Recycling Committee was held yesterday with George D'Auteuil speaking to the committee on recycling. Chase said D'Auteuil reported that containers are available, at no cost, for recycling paper.

Cristo noted that this will be help in reducing the flow of tonnage and allow the sale of the excess tonnage on the open market.

## DPW Study Committee

Cristo said the D.P.W. Study Committee will be doing more financial analysis for the next town meeting. He also said that a look at the attendance record of some members would indicate that some new members should be considered.

Debbie Plante, secretary to the Board of Selectmen, was suggested as a new member. She indicated that she was interested. Lachance questioned whether her serving on the committee would be a conflict of interest since her husband is a Cemetery Commissioner, a position which could be affected if consolidation of departments occurs.

Cristo agreed that it could possibly affect her husband's financial interests but said it would have no bearing on her financially.

Chase remarked that other department heads who could have been affected also served on the committee, citing Sewer Commissioner George Buron as a case in point. Buron resigned from the committee following the special town meeting.

## Tax Classification

At 8:25, the board met with two members of the Board of Assessors, Chairman Walter Hagstrom and Alan Tuttle, who announced that the assessors are recommending that the town continue with one tax classification for all property in town. "It seems to work well," Hagstrom said.

The board voted 5-0 to approve the recommendation.

Lachance asked Tax Collector Marie Colacchio if there were benefits to collecting taxes on a quarterly basis.


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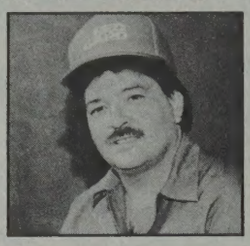

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Colacchio replied that at present only 35 of 351 cities and towns have tried that system. She also noted that a change to quarterly collections would require additional staff, and the cost would almost cancel out the additional income.

The tentative tax rate for the town has been set at $10.47 per thousand, down from $11.03 last year.

Chase asked what the percentages would be if there were more than one classification.

Hagstrom gave the following data:

**Residential tax base would be 82%**
**Commercial 5.2%**
**Industrial 9.1%**
**Personal property 3.3%**

According to Hagstrom, a small business valued at $161,000 would pay $843 if the town adopted the maximum rate on commercial property; that rate would be $15.70 per thousand. The homeowner would pay $9.33 per thousand.

Tuttle remarked that it would be difficult to attract industries to town if there were more than one classification.

Cristo too said the one classification has seen business and industries moving over the line from Worcester. "That's why companies are coming here," he said.

## Correspondence

Under Mail Call, Lachance read a letter from the Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Air Quality, which indicates that emissions at Wheelabrator Millbury Inc. from May 21 through May 25 have tested within the approved limitations for all compounds reported.

Another letter from the Chief Engineer for the Mass. D.P.W. indicates that underwater inspection of the Water Street bridge shows that, "scour of the river bottom has exposed the timber cribbing that supports the Pier. There is undermining at the upstream end and the right side of Pier at the downstream end." It is recommended that corrective action be taken to repair the deficiencies.

Chase said the engineering work has already been done. He noted that $240,000 slated for the bridgework was returned to the town last year to assist with the budget crunch. Chase said he will discuss corrective action with the engineer.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

## Food Distribution

MILLBURY - The Millbury Council on Aging will distribute surplus food commodities on Tuesday, November 13, from 9-11 a.m. and 1-2 p.m. at the Asa Waters Mansion, 123 Elm Street. This is for Millbury residents only.

All recipients must demonstrate their need by showing documentation of their participation in any of the following programs: Food Stamps, AFDC, Welfare, SSI, Medicaid, Head Start, Fuel Assistance, WIC, Veteran's Aid, or unemployment.

## Friends Meeting

MILLBURY - The Friends of the Millbury Public Library will meet Thursday, November 15, at 7 p.m. at the Library. A new slate of officers and members present will plan events for next year.New members are always welcome.

## School Lunch Menus

**WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12-16**
**MILLBURY HIGH SCHOOL**

MONDAY: no school
TUESDAY: Chicken Nuggets, French Fries, Corn, Pan Roll/ Butter, Pudding
WEDNESDAY: Baconburger on a Roll, Lettuce & Tomato, French Fries, Fruit
THURSDAY: Taco, Lettuce & Tomato, French Fries, carrots, Jello/Topping
FRIDAY: Juice, Pizza Dog on a Roll (with cheese), French Fries, Ice Cream

**MILLBURY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

MONDAY: no school
TUESDAY: Link Sausages, Pancakes/Syrup, Hash Brown Potatoes, Applesauce
WEDNESDAY: Hot Dog on a Roll, Baked Beans, French Fries, Jello/Topping
THURSDAY: Oven Baked Chicken, Mashed Potato, Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Bread/Butter, Ice Cream
FRIDAY: Pizza Pocket, French Fries, Rice Krispie Square

## Thanksgiving Sunday Service and Dinner

SUTTON - On November 18, the West Sutton Baptist Church, Central Turnpike, will hold its Thanksgiving Sunday Service at 9:30 a.m. The service will be taped by the local media cable company and will be aired on Sutton's community channel on Thanksgiving morning. Special music for the service will include: Joyce Waltrous, piano; Barbara Smith, violin; Arthur Smith, horn; Martha Stafinski, organist; and the Rev. John Olson, trumpet.

At 11:00 a.m., following the service, a Thanksgiving Dinner will be held. The menu will include: Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, assorted vegetables, rolls and bread, dessert, coffee, tea and cold drinks. There is no charge for the dinner. Reservations are required and may be made by calling Ruth or Martha Stafinski at 865-6821.

On Sunday, December 23, a candlelight service will be held at 7:00 p.m. featuring the Blackstone Valley Heritage Chorale.

## Blood Pressure Clinics

MILLBURY - The District Nursing Blood Pressure Clinics for the month of November are as follows: **ASA WATERS MANSION**, November 13, 9:30-11:30 a.m.; **CENTERVIEW APARTMENTS**, 95 Elm Street, (residents only) from 1-2 p.m. on November 15; **COLONIAL APARTMENTS**, Colonial Drive, November 29, 1-2 p.m.; **LINDEN APARTMENTS**, Pearl Street, November 21, 1-2 p.m.

In addition, clinics will be held in the Recreation Room of **SUTTON ORCHARD APARTMENTS**, Church St., Wilkinsonville, on November 15 and 29 from 8-9 a.m. and at the **SUTTON PUBLIC LIBRARY**, Uxbridge Road, on November 9, 16, and 30 from 12:30-1:00.

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## Veterans Day Sunday

SUTTON - Area veterans and their families are invited to the 9:30 a.m. morning worship service of the West Sutton Baptist Church on Sunday, November 11. Special guests will be members and families of the Sutton Dudley-Gendron Post 414 and the Manchaug Mateychuk Post 390. All veterans are invited to come in uniform if they so desire.

Special music and readings will be featured, with veterans taking part. A coffee hour will follow the service at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend. For large groups attending or for more information, call Ruth or Martha Stafinski at 865-6821.

## Scholarship Recipient

MILLBURY - Peter J. Gauthier, of 11 Woodland Street, has received a $5,000 scholarship from the St. Thomas More Society of Worcester County. The presentation was made on October 28 at Mechanics Hall following the annual Red Mass at St. Paul's Cathedral.

Gauthier is in his last year of law school at Case Western Reserve University School of Law in Cleveland, Ohio. He has been a two year member of the Student Bar Association Board of Governors, and is a member of the Delta Epsilon Sigma National Honor Society, and is Dean Dunmore Moot Court Director for 1990-91. He will graduate in May, 1991. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Gauthier.

## Christmas in Kennebunkport

MILLBURY - Sunday, December 2, is the date planned for a trip to picturesque Kennebunkport, Maine for some fantastic shopping. A stop will be made at Kittery, Maine, first to visit the town's outlet stores. Then it is on to Kennebunkport where the boutiques and specialty shops are prepared to provide a base for some extra special gifts for the holidays.

After seeing the lights at dusk, a stop on the way back will be made at Yoken's Restaurant in Portsmouth for dinner.

Alpha Gamma, of Delta Kappa Gamma, Society International, is sponsoring this trip which is used as a scholarship fund raiser for a female student entering the field of education. Anyone interested may call Ann Lewandowski before November 18 at 865-4985 after 4 p.m. for further information.

## Millbury Woman's Club

MILLBURY - The Millbury Woman's Club will hold its monthly meeting at the First Congregational Church, West Main Street, on November 12. Following the usual luncheon and meeting, members will tour Vaillancourt Folk Art.

Co-chairwomen for this event are Mary Mulhane and Helen White. They will be assisted by Arlene Ball, Marjorie Boria, Carman LaChance, Rita Lawson, Martha Stafinski, Irene Sullivan, and Dorothy Wellington.

## Back to School Night

MILLBURY - The Millbury Public Schools invites parents to participate in the Back To School Night Program as follows:

ELMWOOD STREET SCHOOL: Thursday, November 15, A-M; Tuesday, November 27, N-Z.

SHAW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: Tuesday, November 13, A-M; Monday, November 19, N-Z.

JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL: Tuesday, November 20, A-M; Monday, November 26, N-Z.

Parents whose last name begins with

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| E-H 7:50-8:40 PM | R-U 7:50-8:40 PM |
| I-M 8:40-9:30 PM | V-Z 8:40-9:30 PM |

The Elmwood Street School (grades K-2), the Shaw Elementary School (grades 3-6), and the Jr/Sr High School (grades 7-12) will each have two Back-to-School evenings. Parents whose last name begins with A-M will meet on the first evening. Those whose last name begins with N-Z will meet on the second evening. However, any parent who cannot make the specific time or evening can go in between 7-9:30 p.m. All buildings will be open to parents from 7-9:30.

Teachers will be providing parents with the opportunity to discuss the progress of their youngster. However, due to the number of parents who may be present, conferences will have to be brief. If a parent wishes to have a longer conference with his/her youngster's teacher, this should be arranged for a future time.

## Public Luncheon

SUTTON - There will be a public luncheon at the First Congregational Church on Wednesday, November 14, from noon to 1 p.m. The cost is $3.50. There will also be a mini-Christmas Shoppe sponsored by the Women's Fellowship.

## Tax Bills Mailed

SUTTON - The first half of the FY'91 Real Estate and Personal Property tax bills for Sutton have been mailed. They are due in the Collector's office by Wednesday, November 28. Any bill received after that date will be charged interest at 14% annum from the date of mailing - October 29, 1990. If you have not as yet received your bill, contact the Collector's Office. If you have any questions regarding the values or wish to apply for an abatement, contact the Sutton Assessors Office. Applications for abatements must be filed by November 28th.

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*USED CAR BOOK: THE COMPLETE BUYING TO 1979-1989 AUTOMOBILES* - This book reviews and evaluates used cars. The library has similar titles also covering used car buys as well as new cars. Look for these in both the reference and circulating sections of the library. Look for the April issue of *CONSUMER REPORTS* for their popular rundown of the best car values. For more used car pricing information, ask at the circulation desk for the *N.A.D.A. OFFICIAL USED CAR GUIDE.*

*GUIDE TO KITCHEN EQUIPMENT* - the editors of *CONSUMER REPORT* books provide expert advice to help you buy the best in small appliances and utensils. You'll find information on microwave ovens, coffee makers, pots and pans, garlic presses, carving knives and more. Try *GUIDE TO APPLIANCES* for more brand-name ratings and advice.

*BUY ME BUY ME!* by Joanne Oppenheim - buy the right toys at the right time for your children. This guide helps parents to resist the high pressure of TV marketing and the toy makers' attempts to manipulate adults and children. *BUY ME BUY ME!* provides consumers with the information necessary to make informed decisions. *TOY BUYING GUIDE* rates hundreds of toys including computer and video games, remote-control vehicles, electric train sets and more.

*PERSONAL COMPUTING* replaced the magazine *PERSONAL COMPUTER*, but like its predecessor, each month it provides information on computer software and hardware. Computer enthusiasts should check out Alfred Glossbrenner's *MASTER GUIDE TO FREE SOFTWARE FOR IBMs AND COMPATIBLES* for no cost software.

*CONSUMER'S RESOURCE HANDBOOK,* a government publication, will help you find the best source to assist you in solving your consumer related problems. There is also the library's collection of business indexes and Massachusetts phone books to find the address and phone number you need.

*MONEY SAVING SECRETS OF SMART AIRLINE TRAVELERS* by Captain Richard A. Bodner - If you've ever wondered how people find those $99 round trip airfares from Timbucktu to Worcester, here's how. With 25 years of airline experience, Bodner discloses the secrets behind discount fare codes, "hidden city" discounts, coupon brokers, and frequent flyer programs. Don't forget to browse through the library's travel guide collection to help make plans for your next vacation.

*CHOOSING A COLLEGE: A GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS* by Thomas Sowell - Sowell answers the questions that every parent and student has in selecting the appropriate college that fits both academic goals and personal expectations. Admission requirements, curriculum, financial aid, campus environment as well as campus sexual, racial and religious climates are covered. In addition, browse through the library's collection of New England college catalogs and college guides for colleges across the country and overseas.

*DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS* by Marguerite J. Dennis - choosing and getting admitted into college is one thing, paying for it is another. Dennis' college financing guide is one of many that give parents and undergraduate and graduate students information on how to get financial aid. Other books on this subject include: *CHILDREN'S COLLEGE EDUCATION* and *WINNING MONEY FOR COLLEGE.* You'll find financial aid application forms in our college catalog collection in the reference section of the library.

Come in or call us at 865-1181 for help in finding the materials noted above or other consumer related information.

## Planning Board Meeting Change

MILLBURY - Due to the Veteran's Day holiday, the Millbury Planning Board will not meet on November 12, 1990. The next scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, November 26, at 7 p.m. at the Municipal Office Building.

## Workshops for Parents

MILLBURY - The Millbury Public Schools will offer a series of workshops covering different areas of development, for parents of young children. Each session will begin with discussion; followed by examples of activities that parents can do at home to facilitate growth in the targeted area. Parents of children ages 1, 2, or 3 would benefit from these training sessions.

There will be three daytime sessions held on Wednesday mornings: November 14, November 28, and December 12, from 9:30-11:00 a.m. at the Elmwood Street School. There will be one evening session on Monday, December 3, from 7-8:30 p.m.

The presenter of all four workshops will be Donna Foley, Early Childhood Consultant. Topics will be: November 14, "I've Got to Be me" (social and emotional development); November 28, 'Listen, Folks, I'm Talking" (language development); December 3 (evening) "Talking About Toddlers" (guiding behavior); and December 12, "Look Out - Here I Come" (motor development).

These workshops are open, free of charge, to Millbury residents. Parents of young children are encouraged to attend any or all of the four workshops. The program is funded by a Special Education Early Childhood Grant. Register in advance by calling Linda Oroszko, School Psychologist, at 865-3541.

## Children's Art Workshop in Sutton

SUTTON - Would you like to learn: how to make a Greek Kylix out of clay; why and how Egyptians decorated mummy cases; the techniques for making Op and Pop prints? You can learn about these art forms at a free series of workshops at the Sutton Library. Each class will consist of a slide presentation followed by a hands-on art activity resulting in a finished product.

Register for the series at the Children's Room. Classes will be limited to 18 per age group. Classes will meet in the Children's Room on Saturday, November 17 and 24. Six to eight year olds meet from 10-11:30 a.m. Nine to 11 year olds meet from 11:30-1:00. This program is funded by the Massachusetts Arts Lottery as administered by the Sutton Arts Council.


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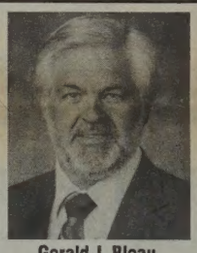
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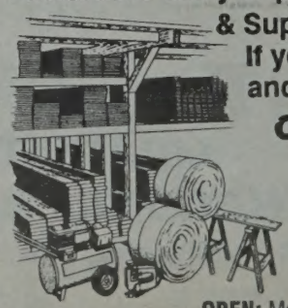
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Social worker Joan Fitzsimmons explained that the staff pulled together during this time and tried to support each other so that the residents would continue to receive quality care. According to Fitzsimmons, this pulling together for the patients' welfare ended up being the ultimate problem because the Department of Public Health would not come in until the quality of the residents' care was in danger. "Meaning," Fitzsimmons said, "that we ran out of money, no money for food, no money for fuel, no money for anything. So the day that we had absolutely no money to provide one more meal or provide oil is the day (October 3) the state finally came in and said, 'Well, now we have to help you.'"

Kittredge said at one point employees were bringing in food for the patients. "It was getting to such an extreme that we knew patient care would have been jeopardized," she said. "They (the State) had been in months before that and they didn't see that patient care was jeopardized so they weren't intervening. On the one hand, because we gave quality care they wouldn't intervene and then they waited until we called them and said, 'Look, there's nothing!'"

The nursing home staff mistakenly thought that placing the home in receivership would be the end of their problems, not the beginning. "At that point (when the home was placed in receivership)," Kittredge said, "we were all happy. We thought the state's great. We're going to have food, and money now for vendors. We can cash our paychecks. So we got a little security for three weeks only to have it pulled out right from underneath us because all along the intent with going into receivership is to eventually close."

Activities Director Barbara Mort said that when Attorney Billow first visited the home on October 4, he commented, "This (home) is really a joy." She said Billow told the staff that usually when a home goes into receivership, you find that patients have been abused and ambulances must be called to remove the patients. "In this instance, it's just the opposite," Mort said Billow told the staff. "'You people need stability, need to pay your bills,' Billow told us, 'and patient care is excellent.' He said he'd heard good things. Now we all feel it's like a slap in the face."

Kittredge said the state is asking the staff to remain professional and to assist in relocating the patients. "As much as we all want to be professionals," she said, "we're also human. We're emotionally involved with these residents which State people can't see on that level. This has been home to a lot of these people for years. And all of the staff has stuck in there through all our financial problems, and we have all tried to be supportive of each other. We couldn't have lasted as long as we have except for the teamwork and the staff that we have."

The 55 employees care for 40 patients in the 41-bed home. Forty-seven percent of those patients have lived at the home for a minimum of six years, with 15% having called Pine Grove home for at least the last 21 years.

Among the patients is a 52 year victim of Downe's Syndrome who has spent 20 years within the walls of the facility, which are more home-like than institutional. "When one of the girls puts him to bed they tuck him in with his teddy bear," said staff member Jesse Lange. "He's familiar with all his surroundings."

"We've always had familiar faces and familiar people taking care of these people," Kittredge said. "We've got one lady who has psychiatric problems, who won't even eat for most of the staff. A lot of time, I end up feeding her. This woman's not going to be malnourished someplace else?" she asked. "Of course she is. Who is going to take the time to feed her? We could cite you patient after patient. It's really going to be a hardship to most of these patients to move them after all these years. You're going to lose the small home-like atmosphere and the involvement that the staff can make in a small facility when you move them to a bigger facility."

"It's like evicting your kids," said staff member Vicky Lavalle. "The patients are scared anyway, and they'll have to go to people that they don't know."

Fitzsimmons said the patients whose family members are most involved are from Millbury and surrounding towns. "It is very much a Millbury home," she said.

Families were notified by mail on September 29 that the State would be placing the patients within a 25 mile radius of their families. "Realistically, where are the beds?" Kittredge asked. "We've had one lady we've tried to re-level for several months now. There are no beds. I'm not saying they can't do it (relocate the patients), but how choosy are they going to be able to be about finding a nursing home close to their relatives and within the 25 mile radius?"

"It's bad enough placing a loved one in a nursing home," said Barbara Mort, "and then having to go through that trauma of doing it again, getting familiar with the staff."

As part of the process of receivership, an independent health care management company was hired to review the physical plant. That company, Arbro Group, said their findings indicate that "there is no patient jeopardy due to the physical plant and that a closure is detrimental to the health and welfare of many residents." Arbro Group did list some 20 problem areas, some of which have subsequently been addressed. The problems mentioned included a supply closet with mildew odor, leaking toilet, scratches on kitchen doors and walls from food carts and wheelchairs, need for new overhead lights, repairs to upstairs deck, and stains on some ceilings.

"If we're a good home and we've always provided quality care, our yearly surveys have been very good, what is the reason to close us?" Kittredge asked. "Different surveyors have come in for months and repeatedly told us that patient care is not jeopardized, patient care looks wonderful, everything looks great, then you're going to turn around because we've gone into receivership? We called them (the State) for help. We called them, and this is the help we're getting? Less than three weeks later to be told we're closing the facility and transferring the residents out."

Kittredge said the State could approach the rate setting commission to increase Pine Grove's Medicaid rate to make it economically feasible to remain open. "Most homes can get by and become economically feasible to run especially if they have private paying residents. We only have a few and our private rate is so low."

"Most other homes would laugh at our private rate," Stratford added.

"We don't have an owner or anybody who has the financial capital needed to bring our rate up," Kittredge explained. "It's interesting to note that they did go to the state and more than doubled our rate to close us. We don't even need to have it doubled in order to be a viable facility. We're just looking to pay our vendors, pay our bills from month to month and allow the facility to remain open. Does is make sense," she asked, "to allow these 55 employees to get unemployment and have the state pay for unemployment?"

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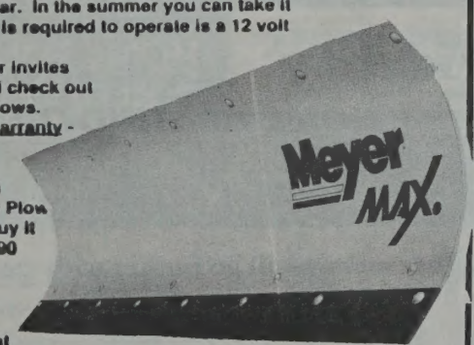


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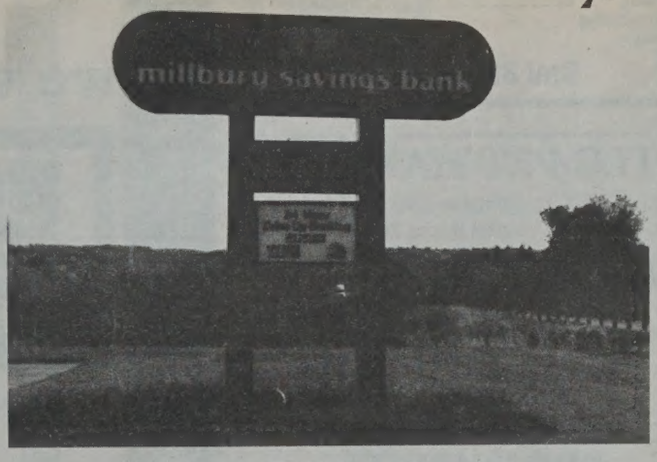


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*By "Pastor Rae" Cameron*

While looking for one of my parishioner's homes the other day, I took a wrong road and ended up at a lovely farm house and barn. They were both vacant and I thought what a shame with so many homeless people these days.

There was a news report on TV about what they called "The hidden homeless." These were not the typical homeless who sleep on park benches, in bus terminals, or in doorways or over steam vents in our cities. No, these were folks who have to double up with someone else or go back and live with their parents or make some other arrangements for housing because they simply cannot afford to either buy or even rent their own home. And then there are those couples who bought into the housing market but now they have lost their good jobs and cannot afford to maintain their house and cannot sell it either.

The Millbury Housing Partnership has been wrestling with this problem now for almost four years. We have acquired some land from the town and have hopes and dreams of having an affordable house built for someone from Millbury who is a fist time buyer and needs to get into the housing market. It is a very frustrating and long term process.

Our Lord Jesus uses the housing analogy to tell us of the security of an eternal dwelling. "In my Father's house are many mansions...I am the way." Amen.

# Women's Bowling League

The high triple was rolled by Becky Rushton, a 318 with strings of 124-99-95. Second high was a 296 rolled by Kathy Marble with strings of 97-90-109. Third high was rolled by Gail Higginbottom, a 294 with strings of 93-95-106.

| Team Standings | Won | Lost |
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| JAGS | 43 | 21 |
| BMW's | 40 | 24 |
| PINTOS | 36 | 28 |
| TBIRDS | 34 | 30 |
| ROLLS | 20 | 44 |
| MG'S | 19 | 45 |

**High Average**
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Becky Rushton - 99.3
Gail Higginbottom - 98.9

**High Triple**
Pat Gaspar - 348
Becky Rushton - 341
Ellie Sulham - 327

**High Single**
Ellie Gosselin - 149
Pat Gaspar - 134
Becky Rushton - 126

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Pat Gaspar - 103.7
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Gail Higginbottom - 98.9
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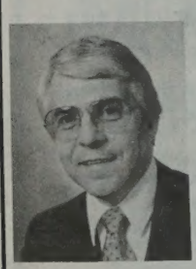

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Photo bottom right shows youngsters having some good old fashion fun at the Youth Center on Halloween night. We might add that in order to reach this room, youngsters had to pass through many creepy, crawly rooms filled with witches, tombs, and scary creatures.


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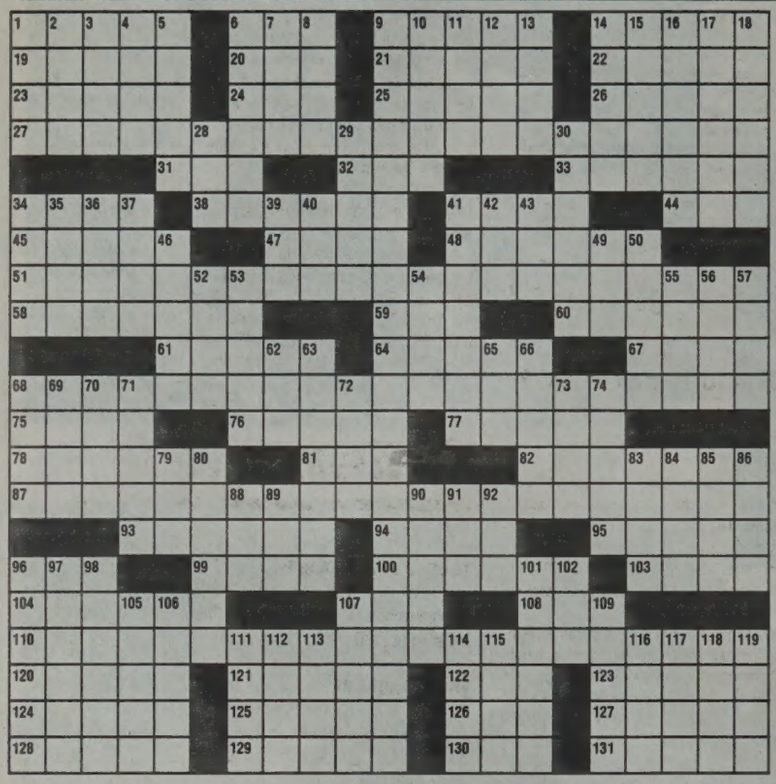

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By Chris Page

**ACROSS**

1 Pile up
6 Great success
9 Disney deer
14 "This one's...": sure bet
19 Serf
20 Fuss
21 Affirms
22 Water walker
23 "Per ardua ad —": RAF motto
24 Poppycock!
25 Important kind of day
26 Friend, in Firenze
27 Words with long
31 Charge
32 Gram. case
33 Tristan's love
34 —-heeler
38 Designer Pucci
41 Bridge
44 Moray
45 Viva voce
47 Mtg.
48 Trouble forecast
51 Words with short
58 Mediterranean wind
59 — Lac, Vietnam
60 Ebullient
61 Unrefined
64 Bridge call
67 Portico
68 Words with little
75 Sailing
76 Chair strip
77 Flatfish
78 Noisome vapor
81 Old English letter
82 Cane wood
87 Words with high
93 "— nothing": show determination
94 Recalls with regret
95 Feed the furnace
96 Fr. holy woman
99 Defaces
100 Chimneys
103 Mulligan concoction
104 Hoi —
107 Failed steal
108 "— a Camera"
110 Words with low
120 Homer epic
121 Take —
122 High pitch
123 Spelunker
124 Sans —: endlessly
125 Suiting
126 — de tete
127 "Laughing" scavenger
128 Chloroform's cousin
129 Scottish golf center
130 Scandinavian small coin
131 Idiots

**DOWN**

1 Whaling captain of fiction
2 Intermediate: Prefix
3 Western resort
4 Ilk
5 Support group
6 Globetrotters' home
7 Matinee —
8 In —: absolutely
9 Words with big
10 Benefit
11 Strawberry team
12 Dennis, the menace
13 Ibiza or Tenerife
14 Milit. planes
15 Gem carving
16 Non-poisonous
17 Encipher anew
18 Garden implement
28 Wide brogan letters
29 Midsection
30 Four score and ten
34 Effusive
35 Et —
36 Namesakes of a Reiner
37 Passage
39 Ames ed. inst.
40 Aloha symbol
41 Flash lights
42 Chi predecessor
43 Sandy's sound
46 Gloomy tune
49 "Honest —"
50 Throw out
52 — avis
53 Sabots
54 Blood cell pigment
55 "— bien"
56 — near the top
57 Duo
62 Have a late meal
63 Opts for
65 Squid's defense
66 Powerful play
68 Shriver namesakes
69 "— true what they say..."
70 Kit
71 Uses electro-magnetic light
72 Desert depression
73 Slanted ltrs.
74 Small rooms
79 Encountered
80 Energy type
83 Formic critters
84 Scoter
85 Furnace fuel
86 Once more
88 Bath or Bad Ems
89 Rower
90 — frutti
91 Archaic affirmative
92 Tech. degree
96 Join, as wire
97 Grooming
98 Pert
101 Coarse canine chow
102 Gal of song
105 Rent
106 Fiat
107 Dunedin's harbor
109 Arabian coffee
111 Hop oven
112 Anagram of 94 Across
113 Pianist Peter
114 Seafarer's saint
115 Fly high
116 Means' partner
117 12/24 and 12/31
118 Nota —
119 Bikini parts

## Solution to Last Week's Puzzle

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I WONDER WHO WROTE, "I THINK THAT I SHALL NEVER SEE A POEM LOVELY AS A TREE"?
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...THEN THE AMEBAS ARE EATEN BY SMALL FISH AND BUGS.
AND THE SMALL FISH AND BUGS ARE EATEN BY THE BIRDS...
AND THEN THE BIRDS ARE EATEN BY THE CATS...
AND FINALLY, ATTILA... DO YOU KNOW WHO EATS THE CATS?
WHO?
DOGS!
GRIMMY, PUT HIM DOWN OR I'LL HAVE YOU FOR LUNCH!
I FORGOT... MOTHERS ARE AT THE TOP OF THE FOOD CHAIN.
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# Legals Legals

## Millbury Planning Board
## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A, M.G.L., the Millbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 26, 1990 at 8 p.m. at the Municipal Office Building, 127 Elm Street, Millbury to review the proposed amendments to the Millbury Zoning Bylaws:

Section 12.51 Penalties, Non-Criminal Disposition
Section 12.4 Site Plan Review
Section 12.6 Regional Transportation Review
Section 14.6 Associate Member of the Planning Board
Section 16.33 Restoration
Section 32.10 Front, Side and Rear Yards

A full copy of these texts are available in the Planning Office during regular business hours. Anyone wishing to be heard on these amendments should appear at the time and place designated above.

Anna Lewandowski
November 1 and 8, 1990

## Millbury Planning Board
## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A, M.G.L., the Millbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 26, 1990 at 8:30 p.m. at the Municipal Office Building, 127 Elm Street, Millbury on the application of Stephen Lavallee, 3 Victoria Terrace for a Multifamily Special Permit under Article 1, Section 14.11(a) of the Millbury Zoning Bylaws.

The proponent wishes to demolish an existing garage and build a two-car garage with an in-law apartment.

Anyone wishing to be heard on this application should appear at the time and place designated above.

Anna Lewandowski
Chairwoman
November 8 and 15, 1990

# Another Point of View

## Where Do We Go From Here?

### By Lawrence Moore

This is being written before election day. The realization is forced upon one that, regardless of the outcome of the voting, the problem remains the same. The State and the Massachusetts economy are both in very bad shape. What the new Governor and the next Legislature do will determine how long it will take for the economy of the State, and the well-being of its people, to recover.

In the last debate between Silber and Weld it became clear that each man has devoted considerable thought to what must be done to restore good Government. He must now call upon the best brains in the Legislature and in the Executive Branch to help him sift through a tremendous amount of information and enable him to develop his plan of action. Whoever is inaugurated on January 3rd must hit the ground running, with concrete, specific plans. There will not be time for committees, for negotiations, or for procrastination. The new Governor must have his agenda prepared and present it to the Legislature and to the public forcefully. He must realize, and the Legislature must be made to realize, that the time for "business as usual" has passed.

On January 3rd he must make it clear that those who do not produce must go, and that, as in business, restructuring will hurt some but will salve the wounds of us ... the taxpayers.

We cannot delude ourselves, nor can the Governor think, that easy measures will correct our problems. Massachusetts problems are five or six years old and have nothing to do with the Mid-East crisis or oil prices. There is nothing in the immediate future that indicates that things will get better quickly. DRI/McGraw Hill, the esteemed economic prognosticator predicts more cut-backs in the computer and defense industry. They expect unemployment to peak at 7% and they predict that some of the 47% of people who said they would move from Massachusetts if they could, will actually leave and depress the housing market further. Our financial markets, both public and private, are in trouble; real estate turnover is bad; our service sector is limping; and unemployment is rising. There is no time for commissions and studies.

He will have 50 days from election to prepare his agenda and cement relationships with key Legislators who can carry the ball for him. If he does the job right, he will wonder why he ever wanted the job in the first place. If he does it wrong, he won't have to worry about re-election in 1994. If he comes up with a good plan, it will be difficult for the Legislator to deny him, but he must be prepared to fight and fight hard for what he wants.

The outcome of the vote on Question 3 will answer many questions. If Question 3 is defeated, it will mean that those who enjoy the "status quo" will have gotten their way, and will have convinced enough people to think they are right. The new Governor's job will be tougher. If Question 3 passes, the new Governor will have a mandate to clean house and to carry out the will of the people. Question 3 or not, is there enough money to rescind the brutal, scare-tactic cuts that have been made? You bet there is! Is there enough money to roll-back the fees and rescind the new sales taxes? You bet there is!

The new Governor has a chance to become the hero that Michael Dukakis claimed to be. Whatever his technique, he must lead, coerce, or bludgeon the Legislature to do what has been proposed over the past five years by Legislators whose bills have been ignored.

If the new Governor is unable to enlist the support of the Legislature to do what needs to be done, the chaos of the future will make 1990 look like easy street. Regardless of the results of the election, the voice of the people must continue to be heard until the Government of Massachusetts and the economy of Massachusetts are restored to their once glorious level.

# Calendar

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8**
MILLBURY - The Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church, West Main Street, will hold its monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9**
SUTTON - The Sutton Arts Lottery Council will sponsor a performance of "Hansel and Gretel" by the Connecticut Opera on Tour at 7:30 p.m. in the Sutton Elementary School. Admission is 50 cents.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11**
SUTTON - Area veterans and their families are invited to the 9:30 a.m. worship service of the West Sutton Baptist Church.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12**
MILLBURY - The Millbury Woman's Club will hold its monthly meeting today at the First Congregational Church.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14**
SUTTON - There will be a public luncheon and a mini Christmas Shoppe at the First Congregational Church from noon to 1 p.m.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15**
MILLBURY - The Friends of the Millbury Public Library will meet at 7 p.m. at the Library.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13**
MILLBURY - Blood pressure clinic at Asa Waters Mansion 9:30-11:30.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15**
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ST. BRIGID'S - MILLBURY: Rev. Thomas J. Markey, Pastor; Rev. Laurence V. Brault, Associate Pastor - Weekday Masses: 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.; Saturday Masses: 4:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Masses: 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.; Confessions: Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to noon, and from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

St. ANNE'S - MANCHAUG: Weekday Masses: Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m.; Friday at 7:00 p.m.; Saturday Masses: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday Masses 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Confessions: Saturday at 4:00 p.m.; Baptisms by appointment.

ST. MARK'S - SUTTON: Rev. John E. Horgan, Pastor - Weekday Masses: 9:00 a.m.; Saturday Masses: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Confessions: Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, MILLBURY, Telephone - 865-9737 (church) 865-1564 (home): Rev. Jane Haley, Minister - Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. (Winter); 9:30 a.m. (Summer) - Church School 9:00 a.m.; Deacons - First Thursday; Executive Board - Second Monday

MILLBURY FEDERATED CHURCH - UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, United Methodist Church - Rev. Charles Mansfield, Interim Pastor - Sundays: 10:00 a.m., Worship and Childcare; 10:15 a.m., Church School; 11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

FIRST BAPTIST, WEST SUTTON: The Rev. John Olson - Sunday Morning Worship at 9:30 a.m. followed by Coffee Time at 10:30 a.m.; 3rd Tuesday of each month - Women's Association meetings.

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RAYMOND MEMORIAL CONGREGATIONAL (United Church of Christ): Mr. Raymond Mars, Pastor; Miss Elfreida Klaucke, Organist - Sunday Morning Service at 9:30 a.m.

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HOSANNA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, Rev. Cliff Larson, 865-1006: meeting in the former Center School, corner of Elm and Waters Street, Millbury. Non-denominational, Spirit led services. SUNDAY: coffee and donuts at 10:30 a.m.; Worship Service at 11:00 a.m. (Sunday School for ages 3-12 during Sunday morning message); Revival Service at 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m., Bible Study. Nursery provided for all services.

# PINE GROVE

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Barbara Mort said Attorney Billow told her there is a nursing home in Boston that has been in receivership since 1979.

"Why is that home staying in receivership if we can't?" Kittredge asked. "We've had less than three weeks. He (Billow) said it wouldn't be economically feasible. Does that mean that that other home is making some money?"

"And what's the difference," Stratford said, "it's state money anyway. It doesn't make any sense."

"They're going to place them someplace else where the medicaid rate is obviously higher," Kittredge argued. "Where is the state saving any money here? We're not even asking for a great big, high medicaid rate, we're asking for enough to make ends meet."

Billow was asked what determines why some homes are allowed to remain open for extended periods of time under receivership while others are not.

"I can't answer for the state, and they're basically the driving force with regard to maintaining or closing," Billow replied. "I think one of the reasons that the state is extremely reluctant to continue with a receivership with New Pine Grove is the experience it has had with other nursing homes and other receivers and that is the impossibility when they get into it for many of these facilities of selling it. Yes, on the one hand they have allowed receiverships to go on, on the other hand the state is very reluctant to repeat that and very eager to end those receiverships."

And where, throughout all of this crisis is Steven Hochhauser? The staff believes he has relocated to Florida. "Will Hochhauser be allowed to go to another state and practice as an administrator?" Kittredge asked. The *Chronicle* attempted to reach Hochhauser by phone in the town in Florida where he is believed to have relocated, but the only phone number for a Steven Hochhauser at that location is unlisted.

"His wife's family went over the Columbus Day weekend and cleaned out his house (in Oxford); packed it up, cleaned it out," Kittredge said. "The neighbors watched, the neighbors called the police. Nobody's heard from him again. I think the more difficult things became for him financially, through a lot of fault of his own, I think the further he got backed into a corner the more he didn't know what to do or where to turn.

"He was the administrator;" Kittredge continued, "he was the owner, he was not going to allow us to work at that and help him do that because he wanted to control the finances. You can understand him being the owner him wanting to do that, but he needed help to do it, and he didn't want it. I don't think he had a clue what it entailed to be an owner of a facility."

Staff member Jesse Lange initiated a petition that is now circulating around town seeking the community's support to keep Pine Grove open. It is hoped that a significant amount of signatures will convince the state that the home is a viable part of the community and should be granted an extended period of time to find a new owner. Lange said she also went before the Board of Selectmen and received their assurances that they will write to the State expressing their disapproval of the facility being shut down.

Two questions now remain: will the State grant an extension to Pine Grove Villa until an owner can be found; and, where is Steven Hochhauser?

## Thanksgiving Service

MILLBURY - The public is invited to attend an ecumenical Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 18 at 6 p.m. at the First Congregational Church on West Main Street. This service is sponsored by the Millbury-Sutton Ecumenical Cluster.

A combined choir, under the direction of Charles King, will perform several anthems. The organist will be Gary Lednar. The service will be led by clergy and representatives of all participating churches. The Reverend Richard Sparrow, central area pastor for the United Church of Christ, will preach.

An offering will be taken for the work of Church World Service. A fellowship time will follow the worship.

## Service of Installation

MILLBURY - On Sunday, November 11, representatives of the Central Association of the Massachusetts Conference of the United Church of Christ will gather to install the Rev. Jane Haley as pastor of the First Congregational Church of Millbury.

The Council will meet at 3 p.m. in the fellowship room and the service will begin at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary. The choir from the Congregational Church in Phillipston will join the choir of First church. The children's choir will also perform. The sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Jeffrey Johnson from the Athol Congregational Church. The service promises to a "fun celebration." A reception planned by the Women's Fellowship will follow the service. The public is invited.

## Turkey Whist

SUTTON - St. Mark's Church, Boston Road, will host a Turkey Whist Party on Sunday, November 18, at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. Admission is $3.00. There will also be door prizes and a raffle. Free coffee and pastry will also be available.

## Class Selects Pease

MILLBURY - The faculty of Millbury High School nominated three seniors to be considered for the D.A.R. award. The senior class voted on the three nominees and the selected student is Ross Pease. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Pease of West Main St.

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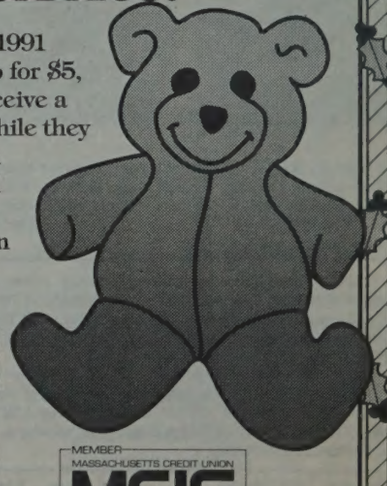

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